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15	RANDAL DAVID PENNS,	) Case No.: 2:24-cv-01230-EJY
16	Plaintiff,	STIPULATION AND PROPOSED ORDER FOR THE AWARD AND
17	VS.	) PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES ) AND EXPENSES PURSUANT TO
18	FRANK BISIGNANO, Commissioner of Social Security,	THE EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) AND
19	Defendant.	) COSTS PURSUÅNT TÖ 28 U.S.C. § ) 1920
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23	OF THE DISTRICT COURT:	A J. YOUCHAH, MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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26		oval of the Court, that Randal David Penns
20	("Penns") be awarded attorney fees in the	amount of FIFT I SEVEN HUNDRED
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dollars (\$5,700.00) under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d), and no costs under 28 U.S.C. § 1920. This amount represents compensation for all legal services rendered on behalf of Plaintiff by counsel in connection with this civil action, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1920; 2412(d).

After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees to Penns, the government will consider the matter of Penns's assignment of EAJA fees to Marc Kalagian. The retainer agreement containing the assignment is attached as exhibit 1. Pursuant to *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 2529 (2010), the ability to honor the assignment will depend on whether the fees are subject to any offset allowed under the United States Department of the Treasury's Offset Program. After the order for EAJA fees is entered, the government will determine whether they are subject to any offset.

Fees shall be made payable to Penns, but if the Department of the Treasury determines that Penns does not owe a federal debt, then the government shall cause the payment of fees, expenses and costs to be made directly to Law Offices of Lawrence D. Rohlfing, Inc., CPC, pursuant to the assignment executed by Penns.<sup>1</sup> Any payments made shall be delivered to Law Offices of Lawrence D. Rohlfing, Inc., CPC. Counsel agrees that any payment of costs may be made either by electronic fund transfer (ETF) or by check.

This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Penns's request for EAJA attorney fees, and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of Defendant under the EAJA or otherwise. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any and all claims that Penns and/or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties do not stipulate whether counsel for the plaintiff has a cognizable lien under federal law against the recovery of EAJA fees that survives the Treasury Offset Program.

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	Marc Kalagian including Law Offices of Lawrence D. Rohlfing, Inc., CPC, may			
,	have relating to EAJA attorney fees in connection with this action.			
	This award is without prejudice to the rights of Marc Kalagian and/or the			
.	Law Offices of Lawrence D. Rohlfing, Inc., CPC, to seek Social Security Act			
,	attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), subject to the savings clause provisions of			

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attorney fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), subject to the savings clause provisions of				
the EAJA.				
DATE: June 6, 2025	Respectfully submitted,			
	LAW OFFICES OF LAWRENCE D. ROHLFING, INC., CPC			
	/s/ Mare V. Kalagian			
BY:  Marc V. Kalagian  Attorney for plaintiff  RANDAL DAVID PENNS				
DATE: June 6, 2025	SIGAL CHATTAH United States Attorney			
	/s/ David Priddy			
	DAVID PRIDDY Special Assistant United States Attorney Attorneys for Defendant FRANK BISIGNANO, Commissioner of Social Security (Per e-mail authorization)			
	ORDER			
Approved and so	o ordered:			

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DATE: June 6, 2025